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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : I. YAGISAWA et al

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Title : ARRAY-TYPE DISK APPARATUS PREVENTING LOST DATA
AND PROVIDING IMPROVED FAILURE TOLERANCE
(As Amended)

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Examiner : M.A. Bradley

Docket No. : NIT-5094

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 4, 2006, please amend the
above-identified application as follows.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.